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The proposed amendments will not be entered because they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal, and they raise new matter issues. The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because of the reasons below. Thus, all rejection of claims 1, 2, 4-7, 9-12 and 14-24 are upheld. The Applicants have repeated arguments from previous rejection found on pages 20 and 23. The Examiner upholds the arguments found on pages 20-24 of the previous office action.

In regards to the new matter issues, the new claims specify a specific range which is not supported in the specification.

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